



### 899 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE VIRTUAL MEETING WASHINGTON, DC 20002

\*FULL MEETING MINUTES SHALL BE POSTED ON THE NEXT MEETING DATE ON NOVEMBER 19, 2020\*

### **OPEN SESSION**

### **MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 15, 2020** 

9:30am-10:30am

#### HRLA BOARDS invites you to join this Webex meeting:

Meeting number (access code): 172 093 3279

Meeting password: XJyAmp3J4s6

#### **Mission Statement**

"The mission of the Board is to protect and enhance the health, safety, and welfare of animals and the public by licensing veterinary professionals and developing, promoting, maintaining and diligently enforcing high professional standards that govern such professionals."





BOARD MEMBERS:		
	VACANT-CHAIRPERSON	_
	LEANNE LIPTON, DVM, CVA, CVSMT, CVC, CVTN, CVFT- VICE CHAIRPERSON	Р
	DANIEL TEICH, DVM-BOARD MEMBER	Р
	AMY HAYWOOD, LVT-VETERINARY TECHNICIAN BOARD MEMBER	Р
	BLAIR ZERVOS – CONSUMER MEMBER	Р
STAFF:		
	SHARON LEWIS, DHA-RN-BC, CPM-SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	р
	FRANK MEYERS, JD-ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	р
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	Р
	EMILIA MORAN, INVESTIGATOR	P
	LAKISHA THOMPSON, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	EA
	ERIC CURRY, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Р
	DIANE MOORER, IT SPECIALIST	Р
LEGAL STAFF:	ED RICH, ESQ, BOARD ATTORNEY	Р

#### **KEY CODES**

**P-PRESENT** 

A-ABSENT

**EA-EXCUSED ABSENCE** 

VCC-VIA CONFERENCE CALL

BOARD MEMBERS:	





VACANT	-
DR. LEANNE LIPTON (LL)	OS-1015-01, OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-04, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18, OS-1015-19
DR. DANIEL TEICH (DT)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
AMY HAYWOOD (AH)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
BLAIR ZERVOS (BZ)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
STAFF:	
SHARON LEWIS, DHA-RN-BC, CPM (SL)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-04, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
DR. VITO DELVENTO (VD)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-05, OS-1015-06, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-10, OS-1015-12, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
FRANK MEYER (FM)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-06, OS-1015-12, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
EMILIA MORAN (EM)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
ERIC CURRY (EC)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18
LAKISHA THOMPSON (LT)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-04, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18, OS-1015-19
LEGAL STAFF:	
ED RICH (ER)	OS-1015-02, OS-1015-03, OS-1015-08, OS-1015-09, OS-1015-11, OS-1015-13, OS-1015-14, OS-1015-15, OS-1015-16, OS-1015-17, OS-1015-18

BOARD MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS -ALL





**OPEN SESSION** 

OS-1015-01	INTRODUCTION	LL
	<ol> <li>CALL TO ORDER – 9:31am</li> <li>PRESIDING – Dr. Leanne Lipton-Vice Chairperson (serving as Chairperson)</li> <li>QUORUM - Yes</li> <li>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – All except Chairperson – Position vacant</li> <li>STAFF PRESENT – All except Lakisha Thompson – excused absence</li> <li>PUBLIC ATTENDANCE – Dr. Megan McAndrews HRA VP of Medicine, Emily Hovermale HRA Director of Government Affairs</li> </ol>	
OS-1015-02	APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES	
ALL	Consideration of the July 16, 2020 Open Session meeting minutes.	
	<b>Motion:</b> Members moved to approve the Open Session meeting minutes for July 16,2020.	
	Moved By: Amy Haywood, LVT-Board Member Seconded By: Daniel Teich, DVM-Board Member	
	Motion Carried	
OS-1015-03 ALL	APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES  Consideration of the September 17, 2020 Open Session meeting minutes.  Motion: Members moved to approve the Open Session meeting minutes for September 17,2020 with suggested edits from Dr. Leanne Lipton.  Moved By: Amy Haywood, LVT-Board Member Seconded By: Blair Zervos – Consumer Member  Motion Carried	
OS-1015-04	Open Session Consent Agenda	
ALL	There are no Consent Agenda Items	





OS-1015-05	SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT	DSL
	Dr. Delvento reported on behalf of Dr. Sharon Lewis who was occupied in a meeting. She did not have anything specific to report to the Board of Veterinary Medicine.	
OS-1015-06	ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT	FM
	Dr. DelVento reported on behalf of Frank Myers who had nothing specific to report to the Board of Veterinary Medicine.	
OS-1015-07	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT	VDV
	The Board currently has jurisdiction over 323 licensees in the District. In addition to the census, the regulations that The Board has so diligently worked on over the past few years continue to move forward.	
OS-1015-08	ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT (ASP)	VDV
	The arbovirus surveillance program continues. That program comes to an end on Oct. 31, 2020. The program this year is a little different due to our testing methods that is currently being done by the CDC.  The rabies surveillance program will continue throughout the year. We	
	see less incidents when we come out of the summer months due to animals going into the winter. This is expected going into November and Dec.	
	A regional meeting is conducted every Friday morning and the meeting included the State Veterinarian as well as the Epidemiology Veterinarian from DC, MD, and VA. This meeting was born out of the Covid-19 pandemic to be sure that we are all on the same page and working together to manage any crises that come up. Though there is not much that has changed with animals during the Covid-19 pandemic, we discuss a lot of the surveillance programs that take place in each jurisdiction. This weekly meeting is likely to continue to take place and if anything of substance comes out of the meeting Dr. DelVento will be sure to share it with The Board of Veterinary Medicine.	





OS-1015-09	BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT	
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	None	
OS-1015-10	BOARD COUNSELOR'S REPORT	ER
	There are three sets of regulations that The Board has been working on. One is for veterinarians chapter 28, vet techs chapter 112, and vet euthanasia techs chapter 111. Chapter 28 and chapter 112 has been returned to us from the legal counsel division. They are currently being moved forward to The Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs in the mayor's office for certification. Once they are certified we will be able to publish both as proposed.	
	We have yet to receive sign off on chapter 111. Ed Rich, Esq., Board Attorney, is going to find out where the Legal Counsel Division is in the sign off process of chapter 111. Once the regulations of Chapter 111 are received, they will be moved to The Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs hopefully getting certification on all three regulations so they can then be published simultaneously.	
	Once the Office of Policy and Regulatory Affairs signs off on the regulations, we will then receive a certification memo for the regulations. At that point we will send them off to the DC register for publication where they will get reviewed before publication. The regulations will then get published for a 30-day comment period. Once the 30-day comment period has passes and we don't receive any substantive comments we can republish them as final rule making.	
OS-1015-11	COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC	
ALL	None	
OS-1015-12	HOUSEKEEPING	VDV
	The Following dates are for the next scheduled meetings: November 19,2020, December 17,2020, and January 21,2020	
	Pending board activity.	
	Also, the January 21,2020 meeting is pending information regarding inauguration.	





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OS-1015-13 ALL	<u>Animal Related Covid-19 Recommendations</u>
	COVID-19 Recommendations for Pet Stores, Pet Distributors, and Pet Breeding Facilities:
	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/animals/pet- store.html
	COVID-19 Considerations for Animal Activities at Fairs, Shows, and Other Events:
	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/animals/events- animal-activities.html
OS-1015-14 ALL	International Council for Veterinary Assessment (ICVA) Updates-FYI
OS-1015-15 ALL	AAVSB Updates- FYI
ALL	2020 AAVSB Virtual Annual Conference-Highlights
OS-1015-16 ALL	<u>Legislation/Regulations</u>
	This was covered in Board Counselors Report
OS-1015-17 ALL	<u>Legislative Hearings</u>
	https://dccouncil.us/events/list/
	There is a hearing on October 28,2020 that is specific to prescribing opioids. Board members are allowed to attend but not allowed to speak on behalf of the board due to The Board speaking as one voice.
OS-1015-18	MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION
ALL	None
OS-1015-19 ALL	FINAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
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OS-1015-20	Reading of Open Session Motions	EC
	Agenda Item: OS-1015-02	
	<b>Motion:</b> Members move to approve the Open Session meeting minutes for July 16,2020.	
	Moved By: Amy Haywood, LVT-Board Member Seconded By: Daniel Teich, DVM-Board Member	
	Motion Carried	
	Agenda Item: OS-1015-03	
	<b>Motion:</b> Members move to approve the Open Session meeting minutes for September 17,2020 with suggested edits from Dr. Leanne Lipton.	
	<b>Moved By</b> : Amy Haywood, LVT-Board Member Seconded By: Blair Zervos – Consumer Member	
	Motion Carried	
	This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Executive Section, which is closed to the public, to seek the advice of counsel to the board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(4); to administer licensing of health professionals governed by the Board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(6); to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(9); administration of licensing pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(14). This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.	